



City of **Perth**

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# Notes

Agenda Briefing Session

24 March 2026

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## 1. Declaration of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the Agenda Briefing Session for the City of Perth open at 5:01pm.

## 2. Acknowledgement of Country/Prayer

The Presiding Member gave an Acknowledgement of Country:

*I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Whadjuk Nyoongar people of Western Australia, and pay my respects to Elders past and present. It is a privilege to be standing on Whadjuk Nyoongar country.*

The Chief Executive Officer recited a prayer:

*Almighty God, under whose providence we hold responsibility for this City grant us wisdom to understand its present needs, foresight to anticipate its future growth, and grace to serve our fellow citizens with integrity and selfless devotion. And to Thee, be all blessing and glory forever. Amen.*

## 3. Attendance

### Members in Attendance

Lord Mayor

Bruce Reynolds

Councillors

Raj Doshi

Liam Gobbert

David Goncalves

Catherine Lezer

Chris Patton

Lisa Ma

### Officers in Attendance

Chief Executive Officer

Michelle Reynolds

A/General Manager Infrastructure and Operations

Craig Best

General Manager Commercial Services

Steve Holden

General Manager Corporate Services

Paul White

General Manager Community Development

Tracey Hirst

Chief Financial Officer

Michael Kent

General Manager Engagement and Activation

Kelly Townson

General Manager Planning and Sustainability

Robert Farley

Executive Director Governance and Strategy

Charlie Clarke

Alliance Manager Council Governance and Policy

Ebony Mackey

Council Governance and Policy Officer

Suzanna Santa

Observers

Carol Adams

Public Gallery

There were approximately 20 members of the public in the gallery.

### 3.1 Apologies

Councillor Viktor Ko

### 3.2 Leave of Absence

Councillor Adam Pacan (24 March 2026).

### 3.3 Applications for Leave of Absence

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## 4. Announcements by the Lord Mayor

### 4.1 Statutory Declaration by Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves

The Deputy Lord Mayor made the following declaration under the *Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005*:

*“On February 24<sup>th</sup> 2026 I declared an impartiality interest in OCM agenda items 17.6 and 20.1 on the basis that I previously made a referral to WorkSafe in relation to matters involving the CEO and the administration.*

*WorkSafe replied and thanked me for contacting about concerns for safety at the City of Perth. They indicated that it had been successfully lodged and provided me with a confidential reference number.*

*My declaration was made in good faith, based on information available to me at the time, to comply with statutory obligations”*

In light of the statement and on advice from the Local Government Monitor, the Lord Mayor stated that he would be setting aside Item 17.3 and any deputations on the Item.

## 5. Disclosures of Interests

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Name                  | Michelle Reynolds   |
| Item number and title | Item 17.3 Mitigating City Legal Risk Exposure   |
| Nature of interest    | Direct Financial Interest   |
| Interest description  | <i>"It is reasonably foreseeable that the matter being discussed at Item 17.3 would result in a financial benefit or detriment to myself and it is prudent for me to disclose a financial interest"</i> |

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Name                  | Deputy Lord Mayor David Goncalves   |
| Item number and title | Item 19.3 Notice of Motion - Advocacy on Temporary Graduate (Subclass 485) Visa Fee Increase  |
| Nature of interest    | Impartiality Interest   |
| Interest description  | <i>"I was previously elected as a National Union of Student delegate and served on the organisations governing executive body - at both state and national level.<br/>I have previously been elected to positions on the Curtin Student Guild including as Councillor, Divisional Representative and Vice-President."</i> |

## 6. Public Participation

### 6.1 Public Questions

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

### 6.2 Deputations

- 6.2.1 Steve Wellard who spoke AGAINST the Officer's Recommendation in Item 17.1 Consideration of Decisions from the Electors General Meeting – 27 January 2026.
- 6.2.2 Amberlea Henriques who spoke AGAINST the Officer's Recommendation in Item 17.1 Consideration of Decisions from the Electors General Meeting – 27 January 2026.
- 6.2.3 Jazmin Lacey who spoke AGAINST the officer's Recommendation in Item 17.1 Consideration of Decisions from the Electors General Meeting – 27 January 2026
- 6.2.4 Brian Bwoga who spoke FOR the Officer's Recommendation in Item 19.1 LifeVac Airway Clearance Devices in City- Managed Facilities.
- 6.2.5 Nathanael Pickett who spoke FOR the Officer's Recommendation in Item 19.1 LifeVac Airway Clearance Devices in City- Managed Facilities.
- 6.2.6 UWA Student Guild (Oliver Barrett, Jay Williams, Ojaswi Shrestha, Emma Meunier, Yasaswi Shrestha) who spoke FOR the Officer's Recommendation in Item 19.3 Advocacy on Temporary Graduate (Subclass 485) Visa Fee Increase

## **7. Confirmation of Minutes**

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## **8. Questions by Members which due Notice has been Given**

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## **9. Correspondence**

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## **10. Petitions**

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## **Reports**

A series of questions were raised by elected members which were responded to prior to the Agenda Briefing Session. A summary of the responses will be included under 'Further Information' located at the end of each report in the Ordinary Council Meeting agenda.

The audio recording of this Agenda Briefing Session is available on the City's website.

## **11. Planning and Sustainability Alliance Reports**

### **11.1 Draft Noise Attenuation Local Planning Policy**

## **12. Community Development Alliance Reports**

Nil.

## **13. Infrastructure and Operations Alliance Reports**

Nil.

## **14. Commercial Services Alliance Reports**

Nil.

## **15. Corporate Services Reports**

### **15.1 Monthly Financial Statements - January 2026**

15.2 Schedule of Accounts Paid - January 2026

**16. Engagement and Activations Alliance Reports**

Nil.

**17. Chief Executive Officer Reports**

17.1 Consideration of Decisions from the Electors General Meeting –  
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17.2 Amending the Terms of Reference for Council Committee Meetings -  
recordings of meetings

*The Lord Mayor decided to set aside Item 17.3 and proceed to Item 18.*

17.3 Mitigating City Legal Risk Exposure

**18. Committee Reports**

Nil.

**19. Motions of which Previous Notice has been Given**

19.1 Notice of Motion - LifeVac Airway Clearance Devices in City- Managed Facilities

19.2 Notice of Motion - Appointment of Additional Members to the CEO  
Performance Review Committee

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Increase

**20. Matters for which the meeting may be closed**

Nil.

**21. Urgent Business**

This item will be dealt with at the Ordinary Council Meeting.

## 22. Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6:31pm.